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- ☐ An Assignment and Recordation Form Cover Sheet.
- ☐ A certified copy of a priority application.
- ☐ A Power of Attorney.
- ☐ A Statement to establish small entity status.
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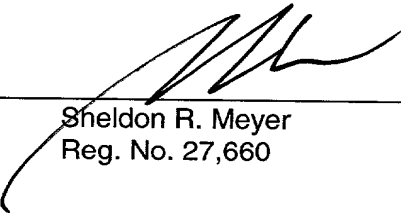
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